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1. [ ] Talked with Representative Paul Kitchin who in the meantime had chatted with Representative Bob Wilson about the matter. Kitchin indicated he was most interested and it was agreed between he and Mr. Wilson that CIA try to arrange a time between them next week. I am to call before noon on Monday, 23 May. The subject of the briefing will be contrasting U. S. laws and the British Official Secrets Act and possible efforts to tighten up U. S. Laws.

Robert Smart was briefed by Mr. Warner about this.

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2. [ ] Apparently Senator Thomas H. Kuchel (R., Calif.) talked with the Director asking for a briefing on the Communist threat. The Director made arrangements with [ ] to meet with Senator Kuchel tomorrow at three o'clock. In discussing this with [ ] he would like to take along [ ] of OCI and firm arrangements have been made.

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3. [ ] Talked with George Murphy of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff who indicated that probably the Omnibus Bill and the Coast Guard bill will go through the Committee. In response to his query, I indicated we were not in complete accord with these bills as they affect CIA but we did not wish to take any initiative on the matter. However, if any member of the Committee wished to know our views we would be willing to furnish them.

Robert Smart was also briefed on this.

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4. [ ] Talked with Robert Smart, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee staff, concerning his briefing of Chairman Vinson on the U-2 incident. See Memorandum for the Director.

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5. [ ] Dr. Charles Sheldon on the House Science and Astronautics Committee staff telephoned to say that one Gross who works for LOOK MAGAZINE had contacted him asking for background data on the U-2. Apparently he had also spoken to Raymond Wilcove of the same staff. Sheldon thought we would be interested and of course added that his reply to Gross was that they had no comment.